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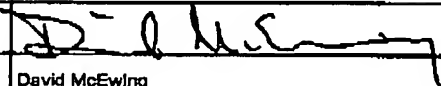
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This paper is presented as a preliminary amendment, there not having yet been an office action in spite of the application having been filed four years ago. This amendment is submitted in compliance with MPEP §714.01(e) and 37 CFR 1.121.

The Applicant submits a replacement section to the Specification entitled "Detailed Description of the Invention" in conformance with 37 CFR 1.121(b) (2). The Applicant also submits replacement drawings in conformance with 37 CFR 1.121(d). The Applicant also submits corrected and additional claims.

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